

## **PATENT**

### **NON-STOICHIOMETRIC NiO<sub>x</sub> CERAMIC TARGET**

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#### **Abstract**

The subject of the invention is an essentially ceramic target for a sputtering device, especially for magnetically enhanced sputtering, said target comprising predominantly nickel oxide, the nickel oxide NiO<sub>x</sub> being oxygen-deficient with respect to the stoichiometric composition.